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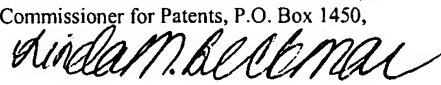
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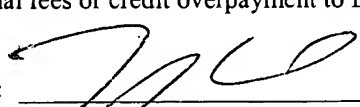
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Total Claims								
19	-	20	=	0	x	9.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims								
4	-	3	=	1	x	44.00	=	\$44.00
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